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СНАР. 192. successors for the benefit, relief of the sick and distressed, the education of the orphans of its members, and for the promotion of their purposes generally.

SEC. 3. And be it enacted, That this corporation shall not be permitted to issue any note token, device, or scrip,

or other evidence of debt to be used as a currency. Sec. 4. And be it enacted, That this corporation shall have power to alter and amend their by-laws at pleasure; Proviso. provided, such alteration or amendment does not conflict with the laws of the State of Maryland, the laws of the United States or the laws of the Grand Lodge of the independent Order of Odd Fellows of the State of Maryland.

SEC. 5. And be it enacted, That this act of incorporation shall enure for thirty years from its passage, and that the legislature reserves to itself the right to alter and annul this act of incorporation at pleasure.

Issues forbid.

May alter their by-laws.

To enure for 30 years,

Incorporated.

CHAPTER 192.

Passed Feb. An act to incorporate the Pipe Creek Benevolent Society. 28, 1844.

> Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Abraham Jones, Francis Jones, Doctor Thomas Sim, Jesse Wright, Israel Norris, Robert Nelson, R. S. Reese and all others who may become members of the said society and their successors, be and they are hereby created a corporation and body politic, by the name, style and title of the Pipe Creek Benevolent Society, and by that name shall be able and capable in law to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, defend and be defended, answer and be answered in any court of law or equity, and to make and use a common seal and the same to alter and change at pleasure, and to ordain and establish such by-laws and regulations as may be necessary or convenient for conducting the affairs of the corporation; provided, the same be not contrary to the laws of this State or of the United States.

Proviso.

Corporate powers.

Proviso.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That the said corporation shall be capable in law to have, take, receive and hold property real and personal, also devises and bequests of any person or persons, and the same to dispose of at pleasure, provided always, that the said corporation shall not at any time hold or possess property real, personal or mixed, exceeding in value the sum of six thousand dollars.